

# TIMKEN

**William R. Burkhardt**  
Senior Vice President and General Counsel

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August 6, 2002

Mr. Jonathan G. Katz  
Secretary  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
450 Fifth Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20549

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**Re: The Timken Company  
Statements Under Oath Relating to Exchange Act Filings**

Dear Mr. Katz:

Please find enclosed the sworn statements of James W. Griffith and Glenn A. Eisenberg, the principal executive officer and principal financial officer, respectively, of The Timken Company.

We would appreciate your stamping the enclosed acknowledgement copy of this letter with the date and time of filing and returning it to the undersigned in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Please contact the undersigned at (330) 471-3002 if you have any questions regarding the enclosed statements.

Sincerely,



cc: Glenn A. Eisenberg  
James W. Griffith

**THE TIMKEN COMPANY**

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**Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer  
Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings**

I, James W. Griffith, President and Chief Executive Officer of The Timken Company (the "Company") state and attest that:

(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of the Company, and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

- Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 of the Company;
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of the Company filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to any of the foregoing.

  
 James W. Griffith  
 President and Chief Executive Officer  
 The Timken Company  
 August 5, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of  
August, 2002.

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 Notary Public  
 My Commission Expires: 9/29/03

**JANINE M. O'WESNEY**  
 Notary Public, State of Ohio  
 My Commission Expires 9-29-03